

Arizona Children's Executive Committee (ACEC) Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 22, 2008 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Division of Children, Youth and Families 1717 W. Madison Phoenix, AZ 85007			
Members Present Michele Flatbush – Cenpatico Maureen Rehak – NARBHA Wendy Chopin – Magellan Emma Kibisu – DBHS Christopher Deere– RSA Dan Wynkoop – BHPC		Mary Hauk – CPSA Laura Henry – DBHS Tyrone Peterson – DDD Rodgers Wilson – DBHS Mark Ewy - DCYF Mike Carr- DCYF Jennie Lagunas – DBHS	Larry Starks – ADJC Steve Tyrrell - AOC Jytte Methmann -DBHS Vicki Johnson - MIKID Karen Bulkeley– DCYF Bill Callahan- AOC Nitika Singh - DBHS
		Roberta Brown- ADE	
ITEM	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW –UP ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
Welcome/Introductions	Dr. Wilson welcomed participants and introductions were given.	None	NA
Review of Minutes from 4/24/08 meeting	The minutes were amended and approved.	None	
Old Business/Follow-Up			
ACEC Strategic Plan Updates	<p>Discussion concerning the ACEC Newsletter will be included under Strategic Plan updates.</p> <p>Laura Henry reported that the newsletter was submitted and no corrections were submitted. Suggestions regarding the distribution of the newsletter, including listing it on the DHS website, were discussed. It was decided that the newsletter would be highlighted with its own webpage. Laura suggested that any subcommittee activities or trainings be forwarded to her for inclusion in the newsletter. Laura thanked Vicki Johnson for her submission regarding special education.</p> <p>Jytte Methmann provided an update on behalf of Bob Crouse concerning the ACEC Strategic Plan pertaining to Goal Two, Strategy One, Task 1.4 and Goal Two, Strategy Two, Task 2.1. Jytte provided handouts from the Clinical Subcommittee regarding Tasks 2.1 and 1.4</p> <p><u>Goal Two, Strategy Two, Task 2.1 (Develop a process/protocol for the case review)</u></p> <p>Jytte reported that the language in Task 2.1 was slightly modified from how Task 2.1 currently reads. The 2.1 handouts outlines a draft process for barrier identification/resolution and a flow chart of the process.</p>	Develop webpage within the DHS website to post the ACEC newsletter	Laura Henry

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	<p>A suggestion was made to add a section to the flow chart that includes a report from the Clinical Subcommittee to the ACEC that identifies what topics are coming up as barriers.</p> <p>The RBHA or system partner who raised the issue initially will be notified of the results as identified in the last step of the flow chart. The wording in that step will be modified to better reflect that.</p> <p>It was recommended posting the barrier process online so someone from the CFT for example could see where things are. This could be added to the ACEC webpage.</p> <p>The Clinical Subcommittee will make a determination at their level if appropriate, but if action is required at the State level, the Clinical Subcommittee will bring the topic for discussion to the ACEC for further discussion and recommendations.</p> <p>All issues that are resolved at the RBHA level but are identified as unresolved larger system issues will be elevated to the ADHS Children Leadership Group for review even though the flow chart currently indicates that only issues common to each region will be reviewed. Changes to this section will be made.</p> <p><u>Goal Two, Strategy Two, Task 1.4 (Increase technical assistance to CFT's to help make better/more informed decisions)</u></p> <p>The Clinical Subcommittee brainstormed some possible strategies to address the task, which is part of the Task 1.4 handout. It was determined that more time was needed to develop this.</p>		
Executive Order 2008-01	<p>Jennie Lagunas provided an update regarding the Governor's Executive Order. She provided handouts including findings of the inventory that was completed along with recommendations and next steps identified by the Governor's office, and a letter from the Governor's Office that addresses the remainder of the Order along with specific areas that DBHS and other executive agencies need to work on and report back progress on. DBHS will be meeting with DCYF and the Governor's Office next week to outline a work plan to specify who is responsible for what areas of the Executive Order and develop timelines for</p>	<p>Update from next week's meeting for June meeting</p>	<p>Jennie Lagunas</p>

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	accomplishing the activities that are identified. DBHS, DCYF and ADJC are agencies involved with the ACEC that are part of the Executive Order.		
New Business			
RBHA Medical Directors Workgroup on Children's Medication	Dr. Wilson reported that this is a special workgroup that was put together to look at the prescribing practice for children below the age of six. There is a representative from each RBHA involved in the workgroup. A prescribing survey identified Risperdol is the top drug used in this category. The workgroup wants to find out what type of protocols need to be looked at for this population and are looking at a psychotherapeutic model with a series of assessment before a young child is placed on psychotropic medicines. Dr. Stein is the lead child psychiatrist from CPSA. The workgroup will be meeting several times in June with some final recommendations by mid-July.	Provide an update or draft document in July.	Dr. Wilson
Other Updates			
State Infrastructure Grant/Substance Abuse Coordination Grant (SIG/SAC) Updates	<p>Nitika Singh reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Rusty Clark provided training on Youth Transition at ADHS on May 22nd ▪ John Vanderberg provided advanced CFT training for supervisors ▪ The State Infrastructure Grant sponsored Positive Behavioral Support Coaching Supervision sessions for CPSA and Cenpatico ▪ Magellan is sponsoring My Life Festival at Tempe Beach Park on June 7th ▪ SIG site visit is scheduled at DHS on June 2nd and 3rd 		
Best Practices Advisory Committee	No update		
JK Settlement/Children's System of Care	No update.		
Subcommittee Updates			
Clinical Subcommittee	Please see the ACEC Strategic Plan update.		
Family Involvement Subcommittee	Vicki Johnson reported that the subcommittee met last week and summarized their current project which involves consulting with families on special education issues. A special education training session for Spanish speaking families from Yuma and Tucson was held via teleconference earlier this week. The families were very active and		

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	involved in the training. This training will be repeated in August. Feed back was provided regarding the development of a booklet that Child and Family Support Services is putting together regarding direct services.		
Adolescent Substance Abuse Subcommittee	Nitika Singh reported that the subcommittee will next meet during the first week of June. A workgroup was established that will identify tasks that this subcommittee can work on and Mark Ewy reported on some of the activities that the workgroup is currently involved in.		
Training Subcommittee	The Training Subcommittee did not meet this month so there is no update.		
RBHA and Other Agency Updates			
Magellan	Wendy Chopin reported that the FIC has provided training to the WFAS reviewers. A youth transition to adulthood workgroup has been formed and is in the process of piloting the project with the involvement of two children providers and two adult clinics. It was asked if Magellan trainings are opened to system partners.	Review policy regarding Magellan trainings	Wendy Chopin
CPSA	Mary Hauk reported that CPSA is focusing in on Meet Me Where I am and the Demonstration sites.		
Cenpatico	Michele Flatbush reported that Cenpatico is working on the System of Care plan and is developing a community based workgroup to address the transition to the adult system.		
NARBHA	Maureen Rehak reported on the changes surrounding the Regional Children's Council of Northern Arizona which is now called the Northern Arizona Children's Council.		
DDD	Tyrone Peterson reported that DDD is working on audits of acute care health plans.		
ADJC	Larry Starks reported that the Governor's Office is conducting a sunset audit that is focusing on the transition of youth back into the community. ADJC is developing an overview of the new processes regarding releases from their institutions within their agency and will be providing training to system partners.		
ADE	Roberta Brown reported that the Court of Appeals has declared that two		

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<p>AOC</p>	<p>private school scholarships for children in the foster care system and children with disabilities have been declared unconstitutional. Roberta wanted to clarify that this was not in relationship to the voucher system.</p>		
<p>DCYF</p>	<p>Steve Tyrrell reported that AOC expects additional budget cuts in Fiscal Year 2009 which may include the Diversion program. The SPEP Program continues and is now being utilized by providers. AOC is in the process of providing a post-audit report which will be out at the end of May. Committee on Juvenile Courts meets on June 18th in Tucson. ADHS and DCYF will be attending.</p> <p>Mike Carr reported that DCYF is still awaiting approval of the PIP from the Child and Family Services Review. They are in the process of reviewing policy that will change with the passage of new laws by the Legislature. Congress has been holding hearings on psychotropic medications for youth in child welfare. Mark Ewy reported that CPS Mental Health Specialists are providing assistance to the RBHA's in the Unique Needs training and are attending Magellan and Cenpatico's WFAS Feedback sessions.</p>		
<p>Agenda Items for Next Meeting</p>	<p>The Unique Needs training link is http://www.cfttraining.com</p>	<p>Jennie Lagunas requested information pertaining to the laws that will impact policy in the child welfare system</p>	<p>Mike Carr</p>
	<p>State partner representatives will provide updates for future meetings. The Strategic Plan updates will not include an overview of the whole plan but rather will include what people are prepared to report out on.</p>	<p>A link to the Unique Needs training will be included in next month's minutes</p>	<p>Steve Lazere</p>
<p>Other Items</p>	<p>There was discussion about moving the time for the meeting to 1:30-3:30pm, but it was decided to keep the meeting from 1-3pm.</p>	<p>Review Strategic Plan to determine what needs to be reported on for next month's meeting</p>	<p>Jennie Lagunas</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Next meeting June 26th at ADHS</p>		